

The Indiana School Safety Specialist Academy presents:

“Safe Schools and the Law in the Time of Covid 19: The Old, the New, and the Emerging Laws on Student Safety”

Presented by:

Dr. Bernard James

Professor James will discuss the issues, trends, and best practices on school safety before, during, and after the COVID-19 pandemic. Discussions will cover (1) Federal and state court cases and statutes on school safety policies; and (2) Indiana laws on liability for the failure to maintain a safe campus. The presentation will also highlight the cases and recent research studies on school safety programs that combine the use of school resource officers with restorative justice policies.

Bernard James is Professor of Constitutional Law at Pepperdine University. A graduate of the University of Michigan, where he obtained both his undergraduate and law degrees, Dr. James joined the Pepperdine faculty in 1984 after serving in Michigan as a judicial clerk for the Honorable Judge Myron Wahls of the Court of Appeals. Dr. James teaches courses in Federalism, Individual Rights, First Amendment, Education Law, and State Constitutional Law. He also teaches education law to doctoral candidates at the Pepperdine Graduate School of Education. Dr. James serves as a consultant to the U.S. Department of Justice where he recently published *Sharing Information: A Guide to FERPA and Participation in Juvenile Justice Programs*. He is the Special Counsel to the National School Safety Center, a partnership between the United States Departments of Justice and Education and Pepperdine University. He is the past California Chairman of the National Organization of Legal Problems in Education (NOLPE) and has also taught at the National Criminal Institute at the University of Louisville.

Cost: There is no cost for this training. Professional Growth Points, CEU's and Law Enforcement hours will be available.

When: Thursday, December 10, 2020: 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. (EST)

Where: WebEx

Target Audience: school administrators, school staff, school resource officers, law enforcement

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